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STATE OF DELAWARE BOARD OF ELECTRICAL EXAMINERSS

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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Daniel Creedon, Vice President, Professional Member Thomas Hartley, Complaint Officer, Professional Member Robert MacLennan, President, Professional Member Nathan Schreppler, Education Officer, Public Member Michael Travers, Secretary, Professional Member Richard Millar, Public Member

ABSENT

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Maggie Strauss, Administrative Specialist II Jeff Ford, Investigative Supervisor

OTHERS PRESENT

David Smart Wayne Roberts
Chester Kelly Jamison Gantt
Jeff Borrin Jean Elliott

Joe Williams

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. MacLennan called the meeting to order at 0907.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Travers, to approve the meeting minutes from July 1, 2015. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

Proposal to Deny Hearing - Jamison Gantt

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 0908a and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Boards proposal to deny the apprentice application of Jamison Gantt. He admitted as Board exhibit #1 the application and supporting documents as well as all correspondence in the matter. Mr. Gantt stated that he was ready to proceed sans attorney and was sworn in by Mr. Maloney. Mr. Gantt submitted as Applicant exhibit #1 a letter from Cardenti Electric and his certificate of completion from the AED program in New Castle County.

Mr. Gantt started his testimony by thanking the Board for taking the time to consider his application. He stated that his convictions were a result of bad choices during a bad time in his life. Since then, he has been rehired by his previous employer, completed the educational requirements of the apprenticeship and started a family. Mr. Gantt indicated that he regrets his past mistakes, and is ready to start working toward a positive future. Mr. Gantt confirmed that he has been in no legal trouble since completing the terms of his sentencing.

The Board went into deliberations at 0920; they were in agreement that the length of time that has past and the fact that no other convictions occurred are acceptable reasons to approve licensure. Mr. Hartley spoke of the fact that his previous employer rehired him, which says something about his credibility and work ethic.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Travers to approve the apprentice application of Jamison Gantt. The motion carried unanimously.

The hearing adjourned and went off record at 0925a. Verbatim testimony is available via audio recording.

<u>Proposal to Deny Hearing – Wayne Roberts</u>

Mr. Maloney called the hearing to order at 0928 and stated that today's hearing was a result of the Boards proposal to deny the apprentice application of Wayne Roberts. He admitted as Board exhibit #1 the application and supporting documents as well as all correspondence in the matter. Mr. Thomas stated that he was ready to proceed sans attorney and was sworn in by Mr. Maloney. Mr. Roberts submitted on his behalf photos, letters of character reference and a certificate of completion from his electrical courses. Mr. Maloney marked these items as Applicant exhibit #1.

Mr. Roberts began his testimony with an explanation of the charges and resulting convictions that occurred in 2009. He stated that he has completed all of the terms of his probation and is ready to move on with his life; it has been a hard job with his past because he "has to explain the circumstances" as required for employment, etc. Mr. Roberts has stated that he has worked very hard to move on with his life and is anxious to start working in a career in the electrical trade; he is 2 - 2 ½ years into the electrical program and now needs his apprentice license to continue. Mr. Roberts ended his testimony by thanking the Board for their time and consideration in the matter and asked that they please grant his license today.

Deliberations began at 0940. The Board was in agreement that since the time that has lapsed and the nature of the crime, Mr. Roberts should be afforded a waiver.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Travers to grant a waiver to Mr. Roberts and approve his apprentice electrician application. The motion carried unanimously. The hearing adjourned and went off record at 0943a. Verbatim testimony is available via audio recording

Mr. MacLennan recessed the meeting at 0944 to allow the Board members to complete the application review process; it reconvened at 1022

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Examination Applications

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to approve the following applicants to sit for their respective exams: Mark E. Kuykendall – Master, Thomas D. Stonebraker, Jr. – Master, Robert E. Ruff – Master Elevator, Robert Niedbalski – JP, Anthony Simone – JP, William Phillips – JP, Krzysztof Smeda – JP, Sylwester Lorenc – JP, Luis A. Portales – JP, Jan Lipski – JP, Jason Owen – JP, Dwayne Rathel – JP, Kenneth Hemmig – JP, Richard Heffernan – JP, Stacey Vrem – JP, Jeffrey Brown – Limited, David Wimbrow – Master,

Thomas Keller – Master and Kevin B. Ford – Master. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to approve the issuance of a Journeyperson license, without the exam, to Matthew Hibbard; his apprentice certificate of completion was deemed acceptable for such by Board review. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to approve the reciprocity applications of 4.2.2 Michael Hartless – Master, Kendall D. Leatherman – Master, Scott Vogel – Master, John Herrick – Master, Robert Dudzic – JP, John D. Sullivan, Sr. – Master, Charles Kennedy – Master, Jacek W. Lesniak – JP, Daniel Ruszala – JP, John D. Sullivan, Sr. – Master, Charles Kennedy – Master, Jacek W. Lesniak – JP, Daniel Ruszala – JP and Robert Rhoads – Master. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to propose to deny the reciprocity applications of Joseph Wentworth for lack of experience post-licensure, but to approve Mr. Wentworth to sit for the Master exam. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to approve contingent upon receipt of liability insurance certificates the reciprocity applications of Claude W. Rohrbaugh – Master, Kristen Johns – Master, Joshua Palladino – Master and David Mastrolia – Master. The motion carried unanimously.

Ratification of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to accept the ratification of Apprentice Electrician applications of: Shane J. Brower, Stefan Darnay Thomas, Branden Neil Zeitler, Timothy L. Corkell, Jr., Kevin P. Mast, David Valente Wolinski, Jacob K. Pettis, Duncan E. Willie, Jr., Patrick T. Summers, Daniel P. Creighton, Danny L Hollen, Brian J. Kirk, Zachary M. Hanley, Daniel C. Camoirano, Christopher W. Clendening, Michael Saltarelli, IV, Brandon D. Pierson, Michael R. Lopez, Jacob A. Juergens and Jason L. Jones. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Travers to accept the ratification of Journeyperson Electrician applications of: Kevin M. Keyes, Joseph B. Byrne, Jason E. West, Evelyn E. Conner, Thomas James Meilhammer, Jr., Ryan B. Crowley, Patrick J. Dangerfield, Timothy J. Butler, Cameron David Williams, Christopher Michael Davis, Jason S. McGill, Richard L. Pangle, Walter A. Hilsbos, III, James L. Smith, Jr., William Paige, Deandre L. Rogers-Jervey,

Shannon C. Hughes, John Semanchick, Johnny R. Cupp, Dennis G. Edwards, Shawn K. Pinkett,

Shane R. Merrill, Daniel Lee Johnson, Steven M. Banning, Jr., Gary Lee Personett, Bradford R. Johnson.

Andrew W. Liberatore, Eric C. Breidenbach, Joseph P. Eichelberger, Earlvon W. Stephens, Matthew Roy Evans, Bruce A. Sarver, Jr., Philip D. Clemmer, James E. Hoffman, Matthew W. Smith, Alfred W. Ashton, Matthew Robert Oakes, Colin A. Finnin, Henry L Adam, III and nd

and Albert F. Gallatin. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Travers, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to accept the ratification of Master Electrician applications of: Christopher Wayne Burger, John A. Livingston, Nathan L. Hartman, Alfred F. Aus, Jr., Ennio DiAlessandro and Keith J. LeFevre. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to accept the ratification of Master Electrician specialty (elevators) application(s) of Joseph F McVeigh and Michael B Maloney. The motion carried unanimously.

Applications for Review - Deputy Attorney General

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to approve the conditional license of Code Inspection Agency in accordance with §1421(d). The motion carried unanimously.

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to approve the renewal of the Journeyperson license of Kenneth Daniels. The motion carried unanimously.

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to approve the applications of Donald Lawson, John Swafford and Michael T. Smith. The motion carried unanimously.

Under guidance from Mr. Maloney, a motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to table the application of Daniel Outlaw for proof of experience. The motion carried unanimously.

Complaints Status

01-11-14 - Attorney General

01-15-14 - Assigned

01-16-14 - Attorney General

01-17-14 - Assigned

01-20-14 - Attorney General

01-21-14 - Attorney General

01-27-14 - Attorney General

01-34-14 – Administrative Hearing Unit

01-01-15 - Attorney General

01-03-15 - Attorney General

01-04-15 – Investigative Unit

01-05-15 - Investigative Unit

01-06-15 - Investigative Unit

01-07-15 – Investigative Unit

01-08-15 - Investigative Unit

01-09-15 – Attorney General

01-16-15 - Closed

01-17-15 - Investigative Unit

01-18-15 – Investigative Unit 01-19-15 – Investigative Unit 01-20-15 – Investigative Unit

Continued Education

A motion was made by Mr. Travers, seconded by Mr. Schreppler to add MDI to the Continuing Education for approval list. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Travers, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the requested continuing education courses as follows, the motion carried unanimously:

Local Union 313 - JATC

Built-Rite Update – 3 hrs Exothermic Connections (Ultraweld) – 3 hrs Basic Network Installations, Terminations & Connectorization – 3 hrs

JCR Productions, Inc.

2014 NEC Code Change – 8 hrs Correspondence Course Review 7 Renew – 8 hrs Review & Renew – 8 hrs

National Association of Elevator Contractors

12 Course Convention & Expo – 1hr/course

Mike Holt

2014 Review of NEC Changes, Articles 90-820 Online – 8 hrs

Michael L. Savage, LLC

Changes to the 2014 NEC Seminar, Part 2 – 5 hrs

BlueVolt

Grounding & Bonding (2014) - 8 hrs

Middle Department Inspection Agency

Introduction to Solar Installations - 5 hrs

Miscellaneous Review & Discussion

Election of Officers

Ms. Strauss advised the Board that Mr. Travers was re-elected as the Education Officer at the July meeting. In accordance with §1404(b) Mr. Travers cannot serve a 3rd consecutive term.

A motion was made by Mr. Hartley, seconded by Mr. Creedon to elect Mr. Travers as the Board Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Creedon to elect Mr. Schreppler as the Education Officer. The motion carried unanimously.

Review of Request from Jeffrey Borrin

The Board reviewed a letter from Mr. Borrin requesting credit of apprentice hours received during his incarceration. Mr. Borrin was in attendance at the meeting; he explained to the Board that he obtain his education and some OJT while incarcerated. He is unable to contact one of the supervisors, but would like the Board to accept the proof of experience he was able to provide. Mr. Borrin would like to sit for the Limited exam while obtaining the hours towards his Master license. Mr. MacLennan advised that he should submit his Limited application for Board review & approval, and can renew his apprentice license if he is unable to obtain all of the hours required for taking the Master exam. Mr. Borrin thanked the Board for their time.

Josh Fogarty

The Board denied the extension request of Josh Fogerty and advised Mr. Fogarty submit proof of enrollment or the required 5 hours of DE approved CE for the audit period 07.01.2012 – 06.30.2014 as soon as possible. If not received, the audit will proceed to the Administrative Hearing Unit.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence for review.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

Mr. MacLennan reviewed the Prometric exam score report for the July 25, 2015 exam.

The Board thanked Ms. Strauss for her 2 years of service with them and wished her well in her new place of employment.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Williams inquired about the course of action for getting an apprentice license for elevator apprentices. Mr. MacLennan advised they enroll in an approved apprentice program.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting will be held on October 7, 2015 at 08:30 Cannon Building 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware, Conference Room A, 2nd floor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, a motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. MacLennan, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting went off record and adjourned at 1055.

Respectfully submitted,

Maggie Strauss

Administrative Specialist II